

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY

FC 2005-091640

03/10/2006

HON. MICHAEL O. WILKINSON

CLERK OF THE COURT
D. McGraw
Deputy

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF
STEPHEN MICHAEL BARTON

FILED: 03/14/2006

STEPHEN MICHAEL BARTON
974 E MOUNTAIN VIEW
QUEEN CREEK AZ 85242

AND

HEATHER BARTON

JOHN G BEDNARZ

RULING RE: MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

The Court has received and considered Respondent's Motion For Reconsideration Re Custody And For Specific Findings Re Custody As Required By ARS. § 25-403.

IT IS ORDERED denying the Motion for Reconsideration. The Court finds that Father was convicted of an incidence of domestic violence. However, it is clear that Mother entered into a joint parenting plan with Father which provided for an equal division of parenting time as an interim order of the Court after filing her allegations of domestic violence. This evidence is a clear indication that she did not believe the child was in any danger or that she could not co-parent successfully with Father. This interim order was in effect from July 2005 until the date of the Trial. No evidence indicated that the order was not workable. There is further evidence that at times Respondent has recanted her prior testimony that the incident of domestic violence occurred.

The Court found based upon the parties' demonstrated parenting skills that it was in the best interests of the minor child to have Petitioner/Father as the decision-maker for the minor child. Further the Court finds that he is better able to meet the needs of the child on a regular basis.

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